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FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

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INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, SO

SUBJ: SOMALI PRESIDENT MAKES UNANNOUNCED ONE-DAY TRIP OUTSIDE
COUNTRY.

1. PRESIDENT MOHAMED SIAD BARRE MADE UNANNOUNCED TRIP OUTSIDE
SOMALIA

MARCH 16. HE RETURNED MID-DAY MARCH 17. SIAD'S DESTINATION AND
PURPOSE

OF TRIP ARE UNKNOWN. TRIP MAY HAVE BEEN DECIDED ON SPUR OF MOMENT.

EYEWITNESSES AT AIRPORT SAY SIAD COMMANDEERED SOMALI AIRLINES BOEING

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SCHEDULED DEPART FOR JIDDA, STRANDING PLANE-LOAD OF ORDINARY TRAVELERS

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2. SPECULATION IS THAT SIAD WENT EITHER TO ADEN OR SANA. SOME
OBSERVERS

BELIEVE HE WENT TO ADEN TO SOUND OUT PDY'S TRUE INTENTIONS TOWARD
ETHIOPIA, AND, BY EXTENSION, SOMALIA IN PREPARATION FOR TAIZ QUADRIPA
RTITE

SUMMIT. OTHERS BELIEVE HE WENT TO SANA TO CONSULT WITH NORTH YEMEN

OFFICIALS AND UNITED ARAB EMIRATES PRESIDENT, WHO IS CURRENTLY VISITING NORTH YEMEN. STILL OTHERS SAY SIAD WENT TO JIDDA BUT THIS EMPHATICALLY DENIED BY SAUDI CHARGE.

3. EMBASSY SEES NO POINT SPECULATING ABOUT SIAD'S DESTINATION, PREFERRING TO AWAIT FURTHER INFORMATION. ONE THING IS CLEAR, HOWEVER, GSDR IS CONCERNED ABOUT ISOLATION IN FLUID DIPLOMATIC SITUATION IN HORN OF AFRICA AND IS REACTING LIKE MAN WITH IMPORTANT DECISIONS TO MAKE.
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